Dugway Proving Ground anti-hypertensive medicine - seven of the ten leading causes of death in the U.S. could be substantially reduced. Because lifestyle plays a predominant role in disease prevention, it is important that health officials measure the secular trends of disease causing or health enhancing behaviors.

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	Causes of Death Wasatch County, 1981–1985		John and Just 16	
Rank	Cause of Death	Total Number of Deaths	Percentage of Total	
1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11.	Cardiovascular Disease Cancer Motor Vehicle Accidents Non-motor Vehicle Accidents Influenza and Pneumonia Problems of Early Infancy Psychiatric Disorders (suicide) Diabetes Congenital Anomalies Cirrhosis of Liver Emphysema and Asthma All other causes	125 54 19 11 9 8 7 6 5 3 2 63	40.1 17.3 6.1 3.5 2.9 2.6 2.2 1.9 1.6 1.0 .6 20.2	
	TOTAL	312		

^{4.} Healthy Peôple: The Surgeon General's Report on Health Promotion and Disease Prevention, U.S. Department of health, Education and Welfare, Public Health Service, 1979, p. 9.